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MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Member, CCPC

SUBJECT: SIGINT Targeting List - Question 9

1. It is apparent that the more one pursues the requirements line in attempting to refine and streamline NSA's programming, the more one finds oneself as a community asking for more of the same old thing. I found of course the same to be true in conducting the Question 13 exercise, which ended up most unhelpfully because people wanted to maintain a data base. Anything up to ten years old is apparently welcomed.

2. I would judge that the impact of this paper, as far as costs are concerned, is likely to be negligible.

3. I am not sure whether your committee or the SIGINT Committee is the proper place to conduct any further compilation of lists. I am inclined to think the proper place lies in the SIGINT Committee, but am not sure that a formal list periodically reviewed or made available is likely to be worth even the small effort involved. I would have thought the normal IGS process would take care of the problem.

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